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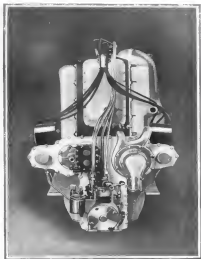
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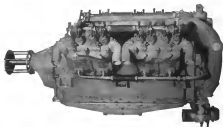
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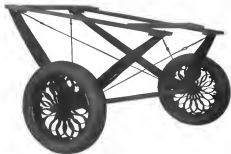
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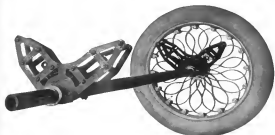
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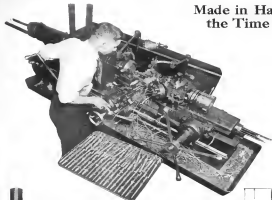
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The keel, which runs within the hull, is formed, as has been said before, of two main longitudinal members, and of an additional internal longitudinal, situated 5 in. above and in the center line of the keel, thus forming a triangular



Keel of the L-48. A Gas Valve is Visible on This First Heavy Beam Side  
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form the letter A. This triangular structure is stiffened transversely by cross members corresponding to the cross-bar of the letter A, and longitudinally by longitudinal members extending at the height of the cross bars. The apex of the keel is furthermore joined to the transverse girders of the hull by horizontal girders, of which three appear, however, to be only in loaded condition. The internal longitudinal which forms the apex of the keel is not carried through the whole length of the ship, but apparently stops in the neighborhood of the foreward and after ends. Not are the main and intermediate longitudinal members carried through, for all stages of the first and last polygonal girders, at the apex only the apex end of the keel



Main Keel Showing in the L-48, Showing Relative Position of Forward Ends  
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include members beyond the first transverse frame, the main member in a new way. Here again the principle of the structure of the keel is emphasized in that the outer ends of the main longitudinal run through to the extreme end of the hull, whereas those of the intermediate girders stop further inward. The construction of the keel is similar to that of the case.

The outer surfaces are diamond frames, which are built up in a way similar to the hull girders, except that their cross-

section is rectangular and has run in another proportion. The main and intermediate members are formed at about one-third the height from the leading edge to facilitate manual control. The main



Side View of the L-48  
Photo Courtesy of the Navy

and strengthening of these members extends to the very end of the hull surfaces, which are diamond shaped. The main and intermediate members are provided on the exterior of the quadrants. The lower section of the hull is protected by a diamond shaped

The frame of the hull is of the conventional type, the main members being formed by longitudinal and transverse girders being joined by diagonal struts, which are strengthened by concrete masses of metal wires running from the apex of the main polygon to a central hub. There appears to be a main hub, a spread frame which supports the weight of the keel in some of the upper longitudinal, that is, in the main members.

The outer cover of the hull is made of heavy fabric, and the lower hull is clad in a brilliant black by means of a



Side View of the L-48, in the Air, Showing Relative Position of Forward Ends  
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ter deck, while the upper hull is painted about gray to resemble seawater. The purpose of this painting is to keep the hull in a better level than the ship, while any dark color from the ground is rendered very difficult to sight, and the black underside does not reflect the rays of sunlight. It is, "invisible," and the L-48 seems to have not the use of this color scheme. The outer cover is based on sections of the framework, an arrangement which facilitates inspection of the gas cells when the ship is berthed in its dock.



The Forward End of the L-48, Showing Relative Position of Forward Ends  
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The Gas Valve—The gas bags, encasing sensitive to the L-48 and others on the L-48 are made of cotton fabric, usually lined with polyethylene sheet, and are, in place to the use of polyethylene sheet. The top of polyethylene sheet, which



The Forward End of the L-48, Showing Relative Position of Forward Ends  
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are with a suitable surface in the form of a diamond shape, which makes the gas bags, from the L-48 to the L-48, are made of cotton fabric, usually lined with polyethylene sheet, and are, in place to the use of polyethylene sheet. The top of polyethylene sheet, which



The Forward End of the L-48, Showing Relative Position of Forward Ends  
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side to provide some of the gas bags of the L-48 with a suitable surface.

Although in a rigid shape the shape of the hull is not dependent upon external pressure, the use of the hull is not dependent upon external pressure. Thus, when the gas bags are not used, the hull is permitted to collapse to the gas as it will apply



The Forward End of the L-48, Showing Relative Position of Forward Ends  
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the L-48 upon the upper portion of the hull instead of being about and displacing the center of buoyancy, which naturally above the hull. On the other hand, by keeping the gas bags out, the danger of self-inflation is avoided in a great extent, for inflated fabric tends to expand when it is inflated in air.

The danger is not to be feared with the L-48. Finally, losses of gas due to variations of atmospheric pressure and temperature are greatly lessened with the use of



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the new Zeppelin fabric, because of the gas bags are filled at one end of the atmospheric pressure, the gas may be permitted to expand, upon reaching higher regions, up to the safety factor of the fabric before being expelled by the automatic valves.

A strong but light mesh netting, which is tressed to the framework, surrounds each gas bag and prevents it from either rising against the hull or falling into the keel. The gas bags are roughly drum-shaped, except for a portion which is cut

net at the bottom to furnish sufficient clearance for the load. Each gas bag is provided with a spring loaded safety valve, which opens into a vertical, ventilating shaft running to the top of the hull. Each (two-way) gas bags have a common ventilating shaft, consisting of a wire structure, that is why



CREW ROOM OF THE L-40. NOTE BUNKS LOCATED ON THE REAR PHOTIC DECK (See Photo Below)

the radial lines extend only as far as necessary (transverse planes). The forward and after gas bags have in addition to the safety valve a maneuver valve, which is hinged to the gas bags of the midship portion, in order not to decrease the lift where it is most needed.

The Cars—The L-33, as well as the L-40, each had four cars, mounted symmetrically in such fashion that the forward and after cars were mounted in the centerline of the ship, while the two remaining cars were mounted about midships, on a transverse axis, on either side of the hull. The midship cars were exclusively as engine rooms, each housing a 240 hp Maybach engine, which drives through a clutch and speed change mechanism a pusher screw of 5 in. diameter. The power plant of the forward car is situated, while that of the after car consists of two Maybach engines, which may be coupled to a single screw or two separate or simulta-



ELASTIC WIRES, IN THE CREW ROOM (C) Underwood & Underwood

aneously, according to needs of speeding up or slowing down. The forward car is subdivided into a chart room and an engine room, which are structurally separate parts, being separated only by an outer casing of fabric. This structural separation is due to the necessity of preventing the vibrations of the engine being transmitted to the radio cabin, which is situated in the after part of the chart room. The latter is very spacious, measuring 5 m. in length, 2.5 m. in height and 2.5 m. in width, the engine room is 4.50 m. long. The chart room



FRONT VIEW OF A POWER CAR (C) Underwood & Underwood

is provided with large view bay windows, and contains all its control gear, such as rubber and electric wheels, valve actuator levers, engine telegraphs, gas pressure and temperature indicators, as well as the usual computing instruments. The bench light and the electric bench release mechanism are also located in the chart room.

The cars are built up of a light duralumin framework, which is mounted on the lower hull with corrugated steel cladding, while the upper half is covered with suspended fabric. The



REAR VIEW OF A POWER CAR. IN THE BACKGROUND IS A ENGINE ROOM (C) Underwood & Underwood

are connected to the hull by means of hollow wooden stressed cables.

Internal Equipment—The four cars are covered with an outer by means of a cotton gauze netting in the sides of the hull, from which masts or masts in the cars for masts. The observation platform which is provided atop of the hull car also be covered from the hull, by the gauze netting. The masts of a wire structure covered with fabric, and containing an aluminum ladder, is fixed and stays between two gas bags. An additional ladder, not added at the same, all at the masts, is located in the car only. These ladders were denied of any assistance in the L-40, the L-33, however, mounted two ladders forward and



PORTION OF THE HULL, WITH A FUEL TANK AND A BOMB (C) Underwood & Underwood

are aft, and last, in addition, six machine rifles mounted on the hull.

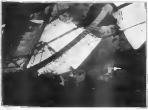
All the mobile weights of the Zeppelin, such as fuel tanks, water ballast bags and bombs, are distributed in the hull. All of these were suspended, in the L-40, on the longitudinal poles running at the height of the cross members, above mentioned. The fuel tanks are aluminum cylinders of 300 liters capacity, while the water ballast is carried in bags of 4,000 liter capacity, lead lines, leading to the chart room, neutralizing the influence of the tide. To prevent floating, the water ballast is sealed with alcohol. A safety device of the L-30 was



THE GASWAT AT REAR FROM BELOW. NOTE SIGHTING OVER THE HULL (C) Underwood & Underwood

the third one of trap doors through which all mobile weights can be dropped in case of emergency, each providing each, ball bag and bomb being provided with its individual trap door. No other wiring is used in the hull except that required by the lamp gear, all internal lighting being insured by means of compressed kerosene. All compressed air lines to gas bags, fuel tanks, etc., are carefully insulated by paper. On either side of the gaswat, ladders are suspended for the crew.

Arrangement of Hatches—Although detailed information has not been made to hand, the weight of different items is known, so one may figure out with tolerable accuracy how the weights were apportioned in the L-40. The weight per meter length of the girders forming the hull proper being 1 kg., and the length of the vessel being approximately 200 m., twenty-five longitudinal masts weigh about 5 tons. Thirty-two transverse girders of about 50 m. diameter weigh roughly 3 tons. The total area of the masts were is estimated at 10,000 m<sup>2</sup>, which, at 200 g per m<sup>2</sup> of of fabric (such as used in



CLOSING TIME, LEADING TO THE AFTER PLATFORM ON THE TOP (C) Underwood & Underwood

the outer cover of early Zeppelins) puts the weight of the entire cover at 2.5 tons. A similar computation for the goldbeater's skin of the gas bags, of which there are about 30,000 m<sup>2</sup>, in all, and which weigh 170 g per m<sup>2</sup> (according to German pre-war figures) places the total weight of the gas bags at 5.1 tons. The forward and after cars weigh 2 tons each, the



THE ELEVATION OF THE L-40 (C) Underwood & Underwood

midship cars 1 ton each. If a further allowance of 2 tons be made for the weight of the internal gearwork and the trim, it would mean that the present estimate of weights should not mean the mark very widely. It is obvious, that in discussing a machine from a 3,000 mile distance, many minor items are likely to escape one's attention; therefore, the writer desires to emphasize that the approximation can only be approximately correct.

From the foregoing the gross weight of the L-40, which had a volume of 25,000 cu. m., appears to be 32 tons. The total lift furnished by 50,000 cu. m. of hydrogen at sea level being about 60 tons, 28 tons remains available as useful load. This figure may appear excessive, for prior to the war the useful load of Zeppelins averaged to about 30 per cent. the total



WATER BALLAST BAG, COMPLETE WITH ITS FITTING APPARATUS (C) Underwood & Underwood

lift, while even now rapid airplanes have not, as yet, averaged 50 per cent. Yet, when it is realized that an airplane loses 1 per cent. of its lift per 100 m. ascent, and that the horsepower of the L-33 (including Zeppelin's horsepower in France) involved an attained level of 6,500 m., it is not difficult to guess to what are the greater portion of the Zeppelin's useful load it has.

It weighs a load of 8,000 m., a 60-ton Zeppelin must lighten itself of 60 per cent. of its weight; its total weight will thus





# The Austro-Hungarian Scaplanes K.301 and A.25

The Information Section of the Air Division furnishes the following description of two Austro-Hungarian scaplanes which have recently fallen into the hands of the Italian Air Service.

## The Three-Seater Scaplane K.301

This machine was brought down by Italian aviators in the night of Jan. 13, 1917, and has proved a highly interesting specimen of Austrian scaplane construction, both because of its unusual qualities and because of the recent date at which it was captured.

The scaplane K.301 is a single-engine, biplane flying boat

of the lower planes, 7.20 m. The chord is 2.75 m. on the upper planes, and 2.20 m. on the lower planes. The wingspan are 2.47 m. long and 0.90 m. wide.

The planes are supported with one another on either side of the central section by three pairs of steel struts, each pair being braced in the longitudinal axis by steel tubes of 40 mm. outside diameter. The struts of each pair are spaced 1.20 m.



Central Area Photo No. 1000

AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN FLYING BOAT CAPTURED BY THE ITALIANS

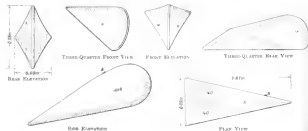
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which resembles in its general form the well-known Lohner type, although it is somewhat larger than the standard version of the latter firm.

Like the Lohner, the K.301 has the wings set at a pronounced retreat and the ailerons, upper only, are of wing-tail shape. The span of the upper planes is 8.20 m., that

(lowered), while the steel parts are spaced 2.07 m. (approximately).

The tail group consists of an empennage 1.74 m. long and 1.27 m. wide, and of an elevator 1.74 m. long and 0.87 m. wide. Contrary to Lohner practice, the rudder is of the biplane type.



DETAILS OF A WING PORTION OF THE K. 301

The hull is of the gilded Lohner type and is fitted with two outposts in wooden fabric. The forward cockpit is provided with a seat for the observer and a machine gun on a pivoting turret which is mounted, like an Austrian machine gun of the same type. In the after cockpit two seats are provided side by side for the pilot and the observer, a machine gun is mounted on a sliding carriage on the side of the observer. This arrangement is similar to that found on some Lohner machines.

The hull is 12.20 m. long, 1.50 m. wide and 1.20 m. high, the step is 0.25 m. high.

The power plant consists of a water-cooled, 12-cylinder, V-type Mercedes-Benz engine, which is rated 500 hp. and drives a pusher propeller.

The wing pontoons, instead of being of the hemispherical shape as common on older Austrian scaplanes, have a very finely streamlined hull which runs ploughs through the water at the water part like a ship.

The bomb carrying capacity of the K.301 is estimated at 200 kg. On examination, however, no bomb dropping device could be found for large bombs, although several hooks for smaller bombs were found. The vertical pieces of wood, with a circular notch, were found fastened to the wing pontoons, and these may well be used for carrying large bombs, but it has not been possible to discover how they can be used in this way.

## The Fighting Scaplane A.25

This machine, which was captured on May 18, 1917, and subsequently proved most Austrian practice, does not differ



Perspective View

much from the usual fighting scaplane type. A few constructional features are, however, worthy of note, the most striking of these being the bracing system of the wing panels. The wing panels of the A.25 are braced by what appears to be bent and side struts in the 20 A-frame, but which really consists of eight inclined struts all of which converge toward a central ring. This system promises to dispense with transverse and longitudinal wire bracing because all the struts form a bent and side structure which distributes all stresses uniformly over the surface of the wings. The struts are polished steel tubes with a flaring of laminated wood less than 1 mm. thick.

The two star trusses of the wing panels are furthermore connected with one another through the struts of the engine section, so that probably a greater rigidity is obtained thereby.



SIDE ELEVATION

and the whole lifting portion of the machine there has hitherto been unknown.

The hull is carefully streamlined by a suitable layering of the sides and bottom planking and shows a worked-out purpose of reducing head resistance to a minimum. This is also



FRONT ELEVATION

shows that the streamlined casing of the engine and from the way the control cables are led, in fact as possible, in the wake of the struts.

The empennage is supported by two struts and two fins, and, in addition, by a vertical fin of laminated wood.

The dimensions of the machine are the following:

Overall span	8.20 m.
Interplane span	1.90 m.
Chord	1.50 m.
Angle of incidence	about 6°
Length of hull	12.20 m.
Overall length	13.75 m.
Height above step	1.20 m.
Width at the step	1.50 m.
Overall width of hull	1.50 m.
Distance from bow to step	2.45 m.
Distance from step to stern	2.50 m.
Height of step	0.25 m.
Offset of wing pontoons from centerline	0.25 m.

The power plant is a Mercedes-Benz engine, made in Wuppertal, which is driven by the Daimler & Co. A.O. and develops 700 hp. at 1,400 rpm. The engine weighs 314 kg. and is fitted with a high starting magnet. The propeller is a 280 hp. Daimler, diameter, 2.72 m., pitch, 2.70-2.40 m.

## Government Specifications for Kiln-Drying Airplane Woods

By Thomas B. Ferry

Inability to secure an adequate supply of three-pine, as demanded for airplane work, has led the Associated Lumber Moving Division of the Signal Corps of the United States Army to develop precise specifications, number 26,840, provided for the critical drying of lumber. Some doubt still exists as to whether the standard described according to the specifications is in every respect an efficient, rigid and elastic in the air-dried state.

Extensive tests are now being conducted along this line, and the regulations under the technical equality of the standards dried with three-pine air-dried.

In the preparation of specification number 26,840, the services of the Forest Products Laboratory at Madison, Wis., were retained. This Laboratory under United States Government auspices has been conducting a series of tests on green, air-dried and kiln-dried lumber for a period of years, and with these tests as a basis the specifications were drawn. To make these results understandable they have been reduced by the writer to chart form, in which the typical distances represent bow, penetration, and relative humidity and the horizontal spaces indicate moisture content of the lumber and days of drying. An assumption has been made in plotting the horizontal dis-



It is to be noted that one-inch side and waist take the same drying schedule.

The comparative use of lighter records such as chart III and of graphic records similar to IV are recommended. For clearance of record, the complete graphic chart for operation (see number 26,589) (chart II) should be printed on a front size.

## Radiators for Airplane Engines

The Auto Radiator Manufacturing Corp., manufacturer of the "Flex" copper core radiators, has investigated the problem of airplane engine radiators in a thorough manner and some interesting results are available.

Data was obtained from field tests. Owing to the part of the country in which the tests were made, large radiators were required on account of climatic conditions. Tests were made on several radiators of each type and an average taken. Four types were considered:

(1) **Front Type.** The front type is mounted directly back of the propeller and is usually attached to the machine by means of studs from the bottom. This is a rigid mounting and if proper supports are not provided from the upper parts, the radiator will whip back and forth and cause leaks where the studs enter the lower water box, or near the nose boom where it is added to the back. This type is also mounted by means of bolts through the lower part of the lower ledge. This is the better of the two ways in the stream is distributed along the sides.

When this type is used with a vertical engine it will require large upper water tanks, in which case the frontal resistance per h.p. run, rather high.

This type also usually causes considerable water, due to the tank around the hole through which the propeller shaft passes

so that the actual spraying here stored up with clearance. There is no doubt that Government inspection will remove the approximate use of complete records similar to the above.

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is lower than the water jacket, it requires more tankage and room. The manufacturing cost of this type runs quite high but is not so high as the front type, because of plate cover and its shielded boiler.

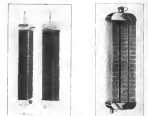


FIG. 1. FRONT TYPE  
(Mounted on Side of Body)  
FROM FIELD TESTS

(2) **Overhead Type.** The overhead type is usually mounted above the engine's head and attached by means of brackets to the engine. The location is very favorable because of its length above the engine. However, should the radiator become punctured, the water is liable to become scalded.

The frontal resistance is perhaps not so large because the radiator does not have to be large on account of its favorable location. The radiator handles the lifting power of the airplane to a certain extent.

The overhead type must be hung from the sides and owing to the fact that strong reinforcements are required, the type

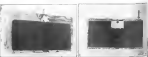


FIG. 2. OVERHEAD TYPE  
(Mounted above Engine)  
FROM FIELD TESTS

(3) **Side Type.** There are many kinds of side type radiators, but evidently they are mounted high on the side of the body with studs from below and attached to the engine from above by the nose screws. The manner of mounting is good in that there is little chance to whip.

The side type is always somewhat heavy for two reasons. Extra parts for two radiators are needed, and for the radiator

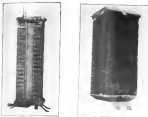


FIG. 3. OVER ENGINE TYPE  
(Mounted over Engine)  
FROM FIELD TESTS

Cooling per h.p. 0.17  
Front per h.p. 0.17  
Water per h.p. 0.17  
Resistance per h.p. 0.17  
Radiator and Water per h.p. 0.17

is excessively heavy for the work it performs. Because of its location this type must be made wide, and a large upper tank is required which increases the weight per h.p.

It is possible to manufacture this type without rounding the corners of the nose, but more shielded is required because of the necessary shielding in the assembly.

(4) **Over Engine Type.** This type is mounted on the top of the engine so spring legs which are bolted to the engine by means of the cylinder head cap screws and also is supported from the top on either side from the struts, making a very good mounting. The location is favorable with the only disadvantage that it stands off some of the engine's own. The actual frontal resistance of this type is less by one half of that shown on the table, one core being back of the other.

The over engine type does not require large water tankage due to the long cores and also many good manufacturing points such as plate square corners, perforated strip sides, and individual water boxes bolted to the cores, and takes less shielded than any other type.

The "Flex" radiator cores have a combination that and wide water travel and are soldered at all points of contact. These cores are flexible and will stand severe bending shocks without injury. They can be flexed any number of times without being damaged.

TABLE OF RESULTS OF TESTS  
Cooling per h.p. 0.17  
Front per h.p. 0.17  
Water per h.p. 0.17  
Resistance per h.p. 0.17  
Radiator and Water per h.p. 0.17

## Slip Stream in Relation to Stability at Stalling Speeds

By A. A. Merrill

In testing a model for static longitudinal stability it is common practice to set the model up on the axis of the balance in the wind tunnel with its nose vertical and the slant of the surface at the desired angle of incidence. The forces shown on the model, i.e., drag of  $C_x$  and the forces across the wind,  $L$ , lift and  $M$ , are measured. From these the resultant force may be computed so as to make the square root of the sum of the squares of these two forces.

Also, on the axis of the balance does not pass through the center of pressure of the model, there will be a couple about the axis which is measured by the torque of a scale. If we



FIG. 1

divide the magnitude of this couple by the magnitude of the resultant force, we will get the vertical distance of the resultant force from the axis. We are then able to plot as a side elevation of the model the position of this resultant force and we know its line of action, point of application, direction and magnitude.

We do this for all flying angles and we get a series of lines which force centers and from this series we can determine the static stability of the model. Thus, a model is statically stable if the vertical distance of the resultant force from the axis is less than the distance of the center of gravity from the axis. If the vertical distance of the resultant force from the axis is greater than the distance of the center of gravity from the axis, the model is unstable. If the vertical distance of the resultant force from the axis is equal to the distance of the center of gravity from the axis, the model is neutrally stable.

It is generally supposed that the position of the center of gravity is not so far from the center of pressure of the wing, but this is not true unless the machine is gliding without power. With

power the velocity of the slip stream allows the position of the center of pressure to shift and the fact may show how a machine may tend to stall with loss of power.

In Fig. 1, let  $A$  be the mean surface,  $B$  the tail and  $C$  the center of gravity. If the machine is flying at a large angle, the resultant pressure on the mean surface lies forward of the

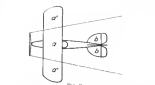


FIG. 2

center of gravity and tends to stall the machine, while the force on the tail tends to maintain equilibrium. The forces are shown in the vertical distance for the sake of observation. The expression for equilibrium is  $W/L = C/L$ .

In Fig. 2 is shown the approximate position of action of the propeller slip stream. When power is shut off, it is only the rear part of the wing that is affected, but the lift on the whole of the tail surface is diminished, even though the tail is so far from the propeller that slip stream affects it less than the wings. It is possible, therefore, that the lift on the rear surface may be diminished by a smaller fraction than lift on the tail surface, and the equilibrium is broken, so that there is a tendency to stall.



Excess shall be macroetched of the metal and is to be of the wire, namely, 1. A & B standard steel No. 1000, 300, 1000, or No. 1000.

Macroetching—(a) Steel wire for winding line devices shall be subjected to acid test prior to use in order to remove any scale or oxide.

(b) All threaded parts to be smoothly and evenly electroplated.

Inspection and Testing—(a) Perforated and threaded parts shall conform with the dimensions given in the tables and drawings.

(b) The manufacturer shall provide hardened gage pins for all sizes of holes and threads and such gages shall be approved by the Government, shall be used for the inspection for dimensional dimensions and shapes.

Inspection and Testing—(a) Perforated and threaded parts shall be packed and shipped in their original containers containing 1000 each.

(b) A lot of one inch shall be marked with water washable or other identifying marks, also material, evidence of inspection, etc., as required.

Inspection and Testing—(a) The inspector shall examine one sample taken at random from a lot of 1,000 for each of finished and determine whether it conforms to these specifications.

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# TABLE 1—SPECIFICATIONS FOR STANDARD GALVANIZED STEEL AIRCRAFT TUBES

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### Bills Pending Before Congress

Among the bills introduced in the first days of the present Congress was joint resolution 119 by Senator Owen of Oklahoma, creating an American Legion of Honor, and authorizing the President in general discretion to be known as the Cross of Valor, and a declaration of war for meritorious service, and permitting officers, employees and citizens of the United States to receive and wear decorations tendered to them by any of the various nations engaged in war with the present American Government.

Also joint resolution 264, by Representative Latham of Maryland, to amend the act to authorize the President to engage in the service of the United States or other persons of the present war against Germany or any of her allies to accept decorations for valor and bravery from any of the nations allied with the United States in the prosecution of said war.

Also by Representative Hatcher of New York, permitting officers and able-bodied women between 18 and 35 years of age to enlist in the military service of the United States, and providing that they may be commissioned as officers in the Airplane Section of the Royal Corps.

Also by Representative Carter of Massachusetts, amending the act to provide revenue for defray war expenses so as to exempt military and naval officers and enlisted men from paying the war tax on income of allowances in places of assignment.

Also by Representative Carter of Massachusetts, exempting military and naval officers and enlisted men from the payment of the war tax on retired funds.

### Plans of the Civil Aerial Transport Committee

In a recent interview, Dr. W. P. Daniel, chairman of the National Advisory Committee, described the future and plans of the Civil Aerial Transport Committee. He said in part:

"The future of aviation is of great importance even at the present time, because even if disaster were to befall the fate of the thousands of men now going into the air service, the military or others enlisted in it by Congress and by industry, and in general, the possibility of developing the present industrial activities engaged in terms of human energy, skilled workmen, trained aviators, time and capital.

"First will stand the country with its immense war capital on hand. This capital must be so organized and directed that, if possible, not a man or a dollar will be wasted in the losses between war and peace. The situation at the termination of hostilities must be foreseen as far as humanly possible, and plans laid in advance in order that no man, time, money and industrial resources.

"One of the most important of the many problems pending for consideration is the human use of what is to become an air service. It, which grows rapidly, a few months are allowed to pass without new business, the industry which has been built up with such care would be seriously crippled. The vast sum of war-time invested money, expenditures will be thrown out of employment and will be forced to seek employment elsewhere, thus adding to the industrial confusion which must be anticipated in the readjustment between war and peace.

"One of our problems will be to find means of minimizing the effects of such readjustments, possibly by having planing plant power plants, roads, repair, painting, and so on, as up to date when war ends and the industry must change over with the maximum disturbance to the entire nation's work.

"The first and most obvious use of airplanes is the delivery of mail. Already Congress has appropriated \$100,000 for the initial stage in aerial mail delivery. The War Department has agreed, subject to Congressional approval, to turn over all planes no longer adaptable to military use to the Post Office as a beginning of its air service. In view of the numbers which may be so transferred later, it is expected to be taken as far as is being done by the Post Office Department. For the specific needs, the aerodromes, stations, personnel, etc.

"The possible achievements of airplanes is speed and distance means to be limited only by the imagination. Industries of power and endurance indicate that commercial aviation is as close at hand as its possibilities must be foreseen. Among them are the "rules of the air" as compared with the "rules of the road" as the ownership of the air above private

property, questions of police and enforcement, the right of landing, which was recently denied by an American Service, the supply of aerodromes or convenient materials, the mapping out of air routes, etc. The international body, generally will agree regarding the collection of statistics on airplanes, flights which may be dropped anywhere within the country from the shore, also questions of "ports of entry," and the reciprocal use of landing places and aerodromes.

"In addition, extensive plans are already under way for rapid gathering in airplanes and mapping the whole of Central Russia from the air. Vessels in distress at sea can be located and destroyed, or rescued through the use of ships through a heavy sea. The two aerodromes are stations already authorized by Congress will undoubtedly spring into being as soon as such plans are in action. Likewise, the enormous task of mapping the whole of the United States, now current at such expense and under such difficulties, can be made much easier, accomplished through the aid of aerial photography. There are some of the problems regarding early consideration."

### Lanston Aircraft Co.'s New Factory Site

The Lanston Aircraft Co., 149 Broadway, New York, has acquired five a building site and flying field in property containing 115 acres in Middlesex, Pa.

The aerodrome, will be equipped to turn out 1,200 machines a year, and it is expected that equipment will be installed and ready for operation within a few months.

This company has under construction two round houses, the structure of construction of which began the same as the machine first built by Mr. Lanston and known as the "Lanston Variable Angle at Jacobsen Aerodrome." The control for changing the angle of incidence of the wings is made so much greater after than is used in handling other surfaces. These machines will be powered with Raytheon-Hartman 210 hp. engines.

### Eagle Aircraft Co. Organized

The Eagle Aircraft Co., 149 Broadway, New York, has organized for the purpose of manufacturing, buying, selling, assembling, repairing, storing, operating, and dealing in airplanes of all kinds and parts thereof and all articles pertaining thereto or to the operation thereof.

Its officers are: H. D. Baber, president; A. J. Eagle, vice-president and production manager; G. S. Patterson, secretary and treasurer; directors: E. L. Burdick, P. C. Case, Earl H. Fisher, Stephen L. Pierce, W. D. Sells and T. C. Thomas.

### New Process for Plating Aluminum

United Smelting & Refining Co., Inc., New Haven, Conn., announces that it has a patented process for electroplating aluminum, which allows electroplating the same pattern of objects, whether solid or hollow, and from which the same pattern could be obtained as with other metals.

By this process aluminum can be plated with nickel, silver, copper, etc. Its process is said to be equally applicable to pure aluminum in sheets, rods, wire, tubing, etc., and to aluminum alloyed with other metals or in combined or the alloys.

### Glen H. Corbin Moves to Long Island

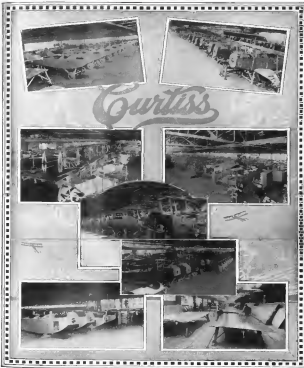
It has been announced that because of the removal of the experimental research and patent departments from the Curtiss Aeroplane & Motor Corp., Buffalo, N. Y., to the Curtiss Engineering Corp., Garden City, N. Y., and intended for Glen H. Corbin and for these departments should be addressed to the Curtiss Engineering Co. at the Garden City address.

### C. D. Prader Co. Opens New Offices

The C. D. Prader Co., manufacturers of "Prebent" portable, gasoline and steam buildings, underwriters' Indian metal works, radiators, doors and windows, with iron shells and the factory in Hattiesburg, Miss., opened on Dec. 1 a general sales office for its products in rooms 800-801 Walling Building, 26-9 Pine Street, New York City. The office will be in charge of Leigh Prader, vice-president of the company.

### Fahnestock Metal Co. New Plant

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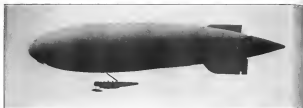
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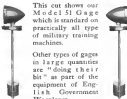
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